

## STATE of MINNESOTA

## Proclamation

WHEREAS:

In 1963, the United States Congress designated the last Sunday in September

each year as Gold Star Mother's Day; and

WHEREAS:

In bearing the loss of a child who made the ultimate sacrifice, Gold Star Mothers

truly understand that freedom is not free, and the liberties we enjoy today come

at a great cost; and

WHEREAS:

Gold Star Mothers have given much to their communities and the Nation, and

continue to give back through their compassionate volunteer work; and

WHEREAS:

These mothers of our fallen heroes deserve the utmost respect and the undying

gratitude of the State of Minnesota and the Nation; and

WHEREAS:

It is important for Minnesotans to remember and honor the tremendous

sacrifices made by Gold Star Mothers in securing our freedoms and liberty.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Sunday, September 20, 2014, as:

## GOLD STAR MOTHER'S DAY

in the State of Minnesota.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this 8<sup>th</sup> day of September.

SECRETARY OF STATE